FISCAL NOTE

Bill #: HB0368	Title:	Revise petroleum tank release compensation board laws		
Primary Sponsor: Devlin, R	Status:	As Introduced		
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Fiscal Summary		FY 2004 <u>Difference</u>		
Expenditures: State Special Revenue		\$60,000	\$60,000	
Revenue:		\$0	\$0	
Net Impact on General Fund Balance:		\$0	\$0	
Significant Local Gov. Impact		\boxtimes	Technical Concerns	
☐ Included in the Executive Budget			Significant Long-Term Impacts	
Dedicated Revenue Form Attached			Needs to be included in HB 2	

Fiscal Analysis

ASSUMPTIONS:

- 1. The Department of Environmental Quality reports that a total of 82 claims have been affected in the last 8 years by the existing two-year requirement. Therefore, it is estimated that in a given year, 10 claims may receive additional claim payment as a result of changes in Section 1 of this bill. The average claim amount has been about \$5,000. Therefore, an additional \$50,000 per year would be reimbursed from the Petroleum Tank Release Compensation Fund (02058) as a result of elimination of the two-year requirement.
- 2. Under Section 4, it is assumed the Petroleum Tank Release Compensation Board would hire a third-party contractor to conduct 10 work plan reviews (4% of the annual total). With an estimated cost of each review being \$1,000 (10 hours @ \$100 per hour), the annual cost to the fund would be \$10,000.
- 3. Increased costs as a result of hiring an Executive Director would be offset by other staff reductions.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

DEQ – Program 40	FY 2004	FY 2005	
	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Difference</u>	
Expenditures: Operating Expenses	\$60,000	\$60,000	
Funding of Expenditures: State Special Revenue (02058)	\$60,000	\$60,000	
Revenues: State Special Revenue (02058)	0	0	
Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures): State Special Revenue (02058) (\$60,000) (\$60,000)			

TECHNICAL NOTES:

- 1. Under Section 5 of the bill, it is unclear how the proposed budget/expense approval process would be reconciled with the legislative appropriations process.
- 2. Costs associated with third-party review would need to be authorized in HB 2 in order to implement Section 4 of this bill.
- 3. All other costs would be claims costs that are statutorily appropriated.